

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

BILLY HILL,

Petitioner,

v.

LEWIS O. SMITH,

Respondent.

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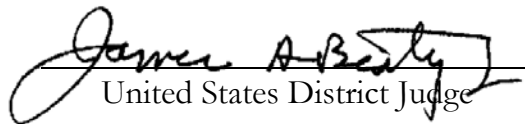
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ORDER

The Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge was filed with the court in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and, on April 1, 2014, was served on the parties in this action. Petitioner objected to the Recommendation.

The court has appropriately reviewed the portions of the Magistrate Judge's report to which objection was made and has made a de novo determination which is in accord with the Magistrate Judge's report. The court therefore adopts the Magistrate Judge's recommendation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Respondent's motion for Summary Judgment [Pleading No. 5] be GRANTED, that the Petition [Pleading No. 2] be DISMISSED. A judgment dismissing this action will be entered contemporaneously with this Order. Finding no substantial issue for appeal concerning the denial of a constitutional right affecting the conviction, nor a debatable procedural ruling, a certificate of appealability is not issued.

  
United States District Judge

Date: May 29, 2014